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In his February 27, 2004, Requirement for Information under 37 C.F.R. §1.105, the Examiner requested that Applicants submit user's manuals having a publication date of December 1999 or earlier for (1) ACIS 5.0 Geometric Modeler and (2) optional husks offered by Spatial. Although Applicants believe that ACIS 5.0 is merely a modeling tool used by a preferred embodiment of the claimed invention, Applicants are enclosing a CD-

ROM containing an electronic version of the user's manual provided to licensed users of the ACIS 5.0 modeling product, dated January 1999. This manual also includes information regarding optional husks.

The Examiner also requested in a March 8, 2004 teleconference that Applicants provide information regarding public use of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's request, the claimed invention was first released in connection with the ACIS 5.0 modeling product, which was made available to customers pursuant to a license agreement in January, 1999. Applicant is enclosing a press release from Spatial's web site dated January 20, 1999 regarding the release of ACIS 5.0.

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